TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



HB 3034 - SB 3053

February 5, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits a court clerk from accepting for filing another claim from a litigant who owes outstanding fees, taxes, costs, and other expenses, unless the litigant is filing a claim seeking injunctive relief to prevent irreparable injury or serious physical harm to the litigant.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Prohibiting litigants from filing subsequent claims with a court clerk until fees, taxes, costs, and expenses are paid could result in a decrease in the state trial, appellate, and general sessions courts caseloads. Any decrease in filings will not be significant.
- A small decrease in court cases will result in reduced state and local government expenditures for processing the cases and reduced state and local government revenue from fees, taxes and costs if collected. These expenditures and revenue will not be significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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